

## INSURGENTS FILE MANDAMUS SUITS IN CIRCUIT COURT

Actions Brought to Compel Head Clerk to Issue Credentials to Delegates.

### COMMITTEE TURNED DOWN

It is Alleged That Official Yesterday Refused to Grant Request—Three State Involved.

Major C. W. Hawes, head clerk of the Modern Woodmen, was made defendant in three mandamus suits filed late yesterday afternoon in circuit court. The actions were brought by insurgents from Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska to compel the official to issue credentials to delegates to the head camp from that faction.

In each case, it is alleged that yesterday Major Hawes was visited by a delegation for the purpose of demanding that credentials be issued to insurgent delegates from the three states in question and the request was denied. E. S. Smith, Springfield; C. W. Lyon, Des Moines; J. D. Porter, Webster City, Iowa; John Dennison, Dubuque; and W. S. Hart, Waukon, Iowa, are attorneys for the petitioners.

The Illinois action is brought by C. T. Heydecker et al. and it is alleged that the state camp, held at Rock Island May 6, elected M. H. Cleary state consul and F. G. Brumund clerk, and that 73 delegates and the same number of alternates, were chosen by an affirmative vote of 249 on roll call and that during the progress of the session 73 delegates who were in the minority, withdrew and held a pretended state camp at which time 73 delegates and 73 alternates were selected to the head camp but that this second list is without authority and not properly entitled to seats in the convention. It is charged that on May 15, a certificate showing the list of insurgent delegates and alternates was filed with the head office and that it was then the duty of the head clerk to issue immediately credentials but although demand has been made on Major Hawes, he refuses to do so.

James V. Escholt et al. are the plaintiffs in the Nebraska case. The state camp was held at Hastings and J. C. Elliott was selected consul and A. H. Murdoch, clerk. Twenty delegates and the same number of alternates were chosen to the head camp by 65 affirmative votes. May 13 the list of delegates was filed with the clerk.

The Iowa suit is brought by W. M. Wade et al. and charges that the state camp was held at Cedar Rapids and Julius Rohwer was made consul and Charles Emerson clerk and that 33

delegates and 35 alternates were selected to the head camp by an affirmative vote of 100. May 13 a certified list of delegates was filed with the head clerk but it is averred the clerk refuses to issue the proper credentials.

#### Head Office Statement.

The following statement concerning the reason for not issuing credentials to delegates is issued today by the head office:

"Yesterday the following members of the society visited the Head Clerk's office in this city: Col. E. S. Smith, Springfield, and Judge R. W. E. Mitchell, Sterling, Ill., Capt. W. S. Hart, Waukon, Charles W. Lyon, Des Moines, and John D. Porter, Webster City, Iowa, and M. L. Corey of Clay Center, Neb. They made inquiry of the head clerk as to the issuance of credentials to Head camp delegates from the states of Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska, in which states contesting delegations have been selected.

"The head clerk informed them that he has not had time nor opportunity to consider questions involved, as the department by which credentials are issued is busily engaged in extending the mileage and per diem of the more than three thousand state camp delegates, and will not be able to finish

this important work for several days. He assured the visitors, however, that the matter of the issuance of credentials will be taken up at the earliest possible moment. The head clerk wants it clearly understood that he will comply with the by-laws and that there is absolutely no truth in the reports which are circulating, charging him with refusing to issue credentials to delegates in Illinois, Iowa or Nebraska, and with refusal to pay mileage and per diem to delegates in those states. All these matters will receive consideration and attention in due course of business."

## EXERCISES OPEN FOR 1914 CLASS

Senior Day Observed With Program by Rock Island High School Faculty.

Senior day marked the beginning of the end of school life of the class of 1914 at the Rock Island high school. The initial number of the graduation exercises was held yesterday afternoon, when the faculty rendered a program in honor of the graduating class. Principal A. J. Burton delivered an address to the members of the class of 1914, and he spoke of what the community expects of the high school graduate.

John W. Casto, instructor in an elocution class, rendered a piano solo and responded to an enthusiastic encore. The faculty quartet composed of Professors Tage Jorgensen, L. C. Stanton, A. J. Burton and E. L. Philbrook, rendered a delightful number, and was called back twice.

Senior day opens the graduation program class of 1914, which will be closed May 29, when they receive their diplomas at the Empire theatre. Saturday evening the juniors of the high school will be the hosts of the seniors on the annual moonlight excursion, this year to be given on the steamer St. Paul. Sunday the baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Rev. W. J. Suckow of Davenport at the Broadway Presbyterian church. Wednesday afternoon the class day exercises will be given. The diplomas will be given out at the Empire theatre May 29, and on May 30 the annual alumni meeting and reception will be held at the high school auditorium.

The seniors in arranging for the class day exercises have planned a number of surprises, and the program which they have made out is one which is new in many particulars. It is as follows:

Piano solo—"Papillons D'Amour," Schuett—Ethel Jens.  
Address of welcome—Forrest Baumgardner.  
Class History—Helen Marshall, Winifred Reck, and William Rinck.  
Violin solo—"Mazurka," Mynarski—Elizabeth Chaney.  
Presentation of gift to school—Joseph Cain.  
Acceptance—James Bruner, '15.  
Class prophecy—Edna Curry.  
Double quartet—Ruth Blakemore, Florence Prager, Georgianna Brinkhoff, Irma Rahn, Blanche Carpenter, Anna Dittman, Nellie Brien, Lavina Fish.  
Presentation of gift to juniors—Alberta Richards.  
Cello solo—"Berceuse," Godard—Beattie Freistat.  
Farewell address—Miriam Walker.  
Marshals—Frank Andrews and Will Glass.

Robbed of U. S. Money Under Bed. Baker, Ore., May 22.—Mrs. Mollie Irwin, postmistress at Austin, kept her receipts from money orders under her bed until somebody found out about it and robbed her, she told the postal authorities. She is under arrest pending investigation of a shortage of \$1,562.

Woman Out for School Head. Springfield, Ill., May 22.—Formal announcement was made here yesterday of the candidacy of Miss Caroline Grote, dean of women at the Western

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### PERSONAL POINTS

Mrs. R. W. Sweeney of Chicago joined her husband in this city last evening and will remain through the Royal Neighbor convention.

Dr. Henry W. Elson of Athens, Ohio, who will deliver the commencement day address to the graduates of Augustana college while in the city will be the guest of Mrs. William M. Reck. Dr. Elson and Mrs. Reck were schoolmates at Thiel, Pa., and the families have been close friends since. Dr. Elson is the author of a number of works on history, his "Sidelights of

Illinois State Normal school at Macomb, for the democratic nomination for state superintendent of public instruction. Miss Grote was nominee for the office eight years ago and ran 27,000 votes ahead of the ticket.

Brainerd, Minn.—With the top of his head caved in, George Rappel, aged 70, a shoemaker, was found on the floor of his shop in the main business section of the city. Robbery is assigned as the motive.

Camden, Mo.—Women saved a large portion of the town from destruction when a dangerous fire started in the business section. Nearly all the men were out of town.

American History" and a United States history being extensively used in schools and colleges. He has also written "The Stargazers' Handbook," a work for amateur astronomers, widely known. He is at present lecturer on history and economics at the Ohio state university at Athens.

#### New Suit Filed.

The Nicholas A. Hagg Co., Cambridge, today filed suit in circuit court against A. M. Record or an accounting. A partnership in the real estate business was formed May 1, 1895, and it is alleged that Mr. Record has taken more than \$10,000 of the profits of the company above his share of the business.

### ASSESSMENT ROLLS CONFIRMED BY BELL

Judge B. S. Bell in county court this morning approved assessment rolls for the following improvements: Paving, Eighth-and-a-half avenue, Twenty-fifth to Thirtieth street, estimated cost \$14,745; water mains, Twenty-fourth-and-a-half street, Thirtieth to Sixteenth avenue, estimated cost \$867; water mains, Tenth avenue, Ninth to Eleventh street, estimated cost \$1,245.40.

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THE big bargains we secured from the Chicago wholesale houses last week have brought a wonderful trade in all departments. We could not mention everything in our big advertisement last Wednesday, therefore we enumerate some special values for Saturday's selling. Every item a big value for the price. Extra help for Saturday.



### New Summer Hats

Your attention is called to the newest ideas in Summer Millinery. New Panamas, Milans and Lace Hats shown at \$10.00 down to \$1.98. Special Clearance Sale of dark colored Hats at ONE-HALF regular price.

### New Blouses and Middys

Best assortment of Middy Blouses and Waists ever shown in Moline. This is distinctively a waist season. A wonderful line of waists to choose from at 98c—values you would not find for less than \$1.50 and \$2 elsewhere.

We secured about one hundred dozen of these waists in this great sale. We are now showing them on our counters at, your choice, 98c.

#### Ribbons

We purchased a big lot of new Ribbons for this sale and give you the choice tomorrow, Saturday, of the entire 5000 yards, values up to 25c, for 10c.

Make no mistake, 10c a yard for Ribbons—4 to 5 inches wide, all silk, plain colors and new fancy, Saturday, choice of this big lot of Ribbons only 10c.

#### Embroideries Up to 20c Values, 10c.

5000 yards new Embroideries, assorted widths and qualities, go on sale Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for 10c per yard.

This is a rare opportunity to make your selection for the season's underwear, dresses, waists, corset covers, etc., choice 10c. 500 yards 4 inch Embroidery Flouncings, beautiful patterns \$2.00 values go at \$1.25.

#### Handkerchiefs

Real hemstitched white handkerchiefs, special at 2c.

Women's colored initial lace hemstitched handkerchiefs, 10c values, at 7c.

Women's real hand embroidered hemstitched handkerchiefs, 25c values at 15c.

Real Battenberg lace handkerchiefs, 25c and 35c values at 15c.

Men's pure linen hemstitched handkerchiefs, excellent quality, 10c.

### Buyers' Coat and Suit Sale

Our buyers picked up about one hundred garments at a reduced figure. We are showing these coats and suits now at wonderful bargain prices.

\$20 and \$25 Suits and Coats, all silk and satin lined garments, choice \$9.98.

Silk or satin lined Coats or Suits, values up to \$17.50, go at \$6.98.

Remarkable Coats, up to \$10 values, go at \$2.98.

### The New Styles in Muslinwear

The remarkable change in the styles of Muslin Underwear has been fully shown in the garments we have this season. Ami French Muslinwear stands for the best ideas in foreign made underwear at the little cost of the American manufactured.

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